this respect, and which nmit themserves mainly to government and State bonds, with loans on real estate worth at least double the amount, can permanently secure the entire confidence of the public. A security which is liable to large depreciation, either from its own uncertain value or by reason of financial pressure, is not a fit investment for our life companies, which can really be considered only in the light of trustees of the money deposited in their charge. The trouble that has arisen among some of the insurance companies in England is chiefly owing to their bad investments-to their having been guided, in fact, more by the interest of their officers and directors than by a wish to do justice to those insured with them.

In judging for themselves, the public manifestly gives preference to long-established, leading companies, the record of whose transactions inspires confidence and offers the best guarantee for sound and profitable management-such, for example, as the Mutual Life, Connecticut Mutual, Mutual Benefit, Knickerbooker, Equitable Life and a few others which might be named as having won abroad, as well as at home, the credit of being carefully and honestly administered.

Invitations have been addressed by Superintendent Miller to the life insurance superintendents and Commissioners of all the different States to meet in New York city on the · 24th instant. It is to be hoped that this convention will attain its object, which is to secure, if possible, friendly co-operation in promoting uniformity and other desirable improvements in life insurance business and legislation throughout the Union.

Personal Intelligence.

Ex-Governor J. M. Ashley is domictled at the Astor House.

John Sherman, United States Senator from Ohlo,

Colonel John B. Palmer, of South Carolina, is stopping at the Grand Central.

nel T. W. C. Moore, of Washington, is a guest at the Sturtevant House. Congressman William H. Barnum, of Connecti-

cut, is sojourning at the Fifth Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. J. V. L. Pruyn, of Albany, have apartments at the Brevoort House.

Thomas A. Scott, of Philadelphia, is residing at the Hoffman House. Horace Maynard, of Tennessee, is solourning at

the Astor House.
Peter C. Doyle, Superintendent of the Police of Buffalo, is a guest at the St. Nicholas. James C. Frazer, of England, is domiciled at the

Brevoort House. A. H. Lowery, of Washington, is sojourning at the Judge A. H. Hall, of indiana, is stopping at the

William F. Stetson, of Boston, is a sojourner ac the Fifth Avenue.

Charles Parrish, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., is staying at the Hoffman House. General Kent Jarvis, of Ohio, is staying at the St. Nicholas

Marshal Wood, of Rhode Island, and family have apartments at t e Fifth Avenue. General J. F. Boyle, of Kentucky, is quartered at

the St. Nicholas. Colonel J. S. Ruckle, of Oregon, is resisiding at

the Astor House.

Governor John T. Hoffman left the Clarendon

Hotel for Virginia on Tuesday. Abram Van Vechten and family, of Albany, left on the Russia for Europe yesterday.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Major General Olney Arnold, of Pawtucket, R. I., and democratic Senator elect of that State, was in Rochester last week.

Among the loyal claimants is Mrs. Mary J. Wayne, widow of Justice Wayne, of Georgia, of the United

States Subreme Court.
A younger brother of Mr. Thomas Hughes, M. P., is in St. Louis on business for the London house with which he is connected.

Miss Kato Reignolds, so long a lavorite of the stage, has given in her name to the Boston Lycoum Bureau for the purpose of lecturing next winter.

Ex-Governor Coturn, of Maine, is reputed to be worth \$7,000,000, making him the richest man in the State. His annual income is reported to be over

General A. A. Humphrey and General John G. Parke, of the Engineer Corps, United States Army, are in Portland, Mc., inspecting the fortifications in the harbor.

Agnes Lewis, the young girl sixteen years old who has this year ploughed 160 acres of land on her tather's ranch, near Antioch, Cal., is a cousin of ida Lewis, the Grace Darling of New England. General John B. Gordon, of Georgia, has been lec-turing in Memphia, making the points that educa-tion and the fostering of manufacturing interests are the two great things for the development of the South.

The Chicago Times devotes nearly five columns to the late Rev. Eleazur Williams, of Wisconsin, one of the claimants of the French throne, and says the Rev. Eleazur's son, John, now "the lineal herr," is engaged as the sailing master of one of the lake crafts, and that he resides at Osnkosn.

FOREIGN PERSONAL GOSSIP.

-Lieutenant Colonel Elphinstone has been appointed Compiroller of Prince Arthur's household. —All the literary and historical documents left in M. Thiers' house in Paris were destroyed by the -An on dit is current in England to the effect

that Queen Victoria has settled the estate of Baimoral upon the Princess Louise, -Lucius H. Deering, B. A., of Dublin, has been

appointed one of the new associates of the Institu-tion of British Naval Architects.

—The commanders of German army corps will each receive small appropriations from the Emperor of Germany's private exchequer. of Germany's private exchequer.

—The French Minister of War Le Flo is at present negotiating with the American Captain Lowe for the purchase of a large number of Gatling guns.

Vienna, is about to go on a leave of absence to Constantinople and Athens, and will be used in Vienna in the manifest of June.

—Lord Bloomfield will, on account of his advanced age, retire from the British Embassy of Vienna, and will be replaced by Lord Loitus, at present Minister to Berlin.

sent Minister to Berlin.

Mr. Johnson, member of Parliament for Belfast, Ireland, was lately presented with an address and a purse containing 4230 for his services in behalf of the Uister peasantry.

—Captain Vivian of the English Army, gives, in a paper, the pay of British soldiers per week. The pay of the engineers is the highest; that of the household troops is the next.

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—Prince Alfonso Maria, grandson of Don Carlos, of Spain, was married on April 28 in the castle of Prince Lowenstein, near Aschafenburg, Bavaria, to the Princess Maria de Braganza, eldest daughter of Dom Miguel, of Portugal.

—Dr. Waldau, Sanitary Counsellor to the Emperor of Germany, recently performed a most difficult and successful operation on Prince Albrecht, the Emperor's brother, who took a prominent part in the late Franco-German war. Prince Albrecht returned from France with a serious affection of the eyo, which Dr. Waldau at once recognized as glaucome. The feasibility of curing this by operation had been demonstrated only a lew years ago by the Doctor himself, whom the Emperor William, in private audience, authorized to perform the operation, which has resulted in perfectly restoring the eyesight of the Prince. Dr. Waldau is the husband of the celebrated German actress Lina Fluhr, who left the stage to share the life of the distinguished surgeon.

ZION CHURCH CONFERENCE.

POUGHREEPSIE, N. Y., May 17, 1871. The annual Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, New York district, was called to order in this city to-day by Bishop Clinton. The Rev. Jacob Thomas is acting secretary. The Conference will be in session eight days.

ILLNESS OF A DAUGHTER OF SENATOR CAMERON.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 17, 1871. Mrs. Burnside, one of the daughters of Senator Cameron, was struck with paralysis this morning, and is not expected to live. Senator Cameron has been telegraphed for.

THE DYING COMMUNE

The Versailles Forces Pressing Their Operations.

THE CITY WALLS UNDERMINED

A Terrible Fire Poured Upon the Bastions.

The Auteuil and Versailles Gates Destroyed.

DISMAY OF THE COMMUNISTS.

Civilians Appointed to Watch the Insurgent Generals.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION IN PARIS.

Reported Capture of Fort Montrouge by the Government Troops.

THE COMMUNAL DEATH STRUGGLE.

TELEGRAMS TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

Versaillists Pressing Operations-Terrific Fire on the Ramparts-Undermining the Walls-Cluseret Again Afloat-Watching the Gene rals-The Column Vendome-Miscellaneous Items.

PARIS, May 17-Afternoon. The Versaillists are pressing operations for the capture of Billancourt.

TERRIPIC FIRE ON THE RAMPARTS.

The Auteum and Versailles gates of Paris have been destroyed by the bombardment, and the neighboring pastions are silent under a terrific fire. Fort Issy, now in the hands of the Versailles troops, bombards Petit Vanvres, Grenelle and Point du Jour. The latter position is untenable.

UNDERMINING THE WALLS.

It is believed the Versaillists are undermining the walls near the Muette Gate.

CLUSERET AGAIN APLOAT. General Cluseret advises the Committee of Safety to cause the erection of barricades in the Place de l'Etoile, the Place de Rome and the Place d'Eylau; of a second line of defensive works from the Passy Gate to the Grenelle Bridge, and of a third line from the Pont de la Concorde to the Porte de St. Ouen. WATCHING THE GENERALS.

The Committee of Public Safety has, by decree, associated civil commissioners with all the generals of the Commune, in order, it is said, to prevent all danger of a dictatorship. MM. Burger and De-reuve are associated in the command with General Dombrowski, M. Johannard with General la Ceccila and M. Meillet with General Wrobleski.

THE COLUMN VENDOME.
The column of Vendome fell in three pieces. The square in which it stood will henceforth be known as the Place Internationale.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS. All trains leaving Paris are carefully examined. Owners of petroleum are ordered to report to the

The Parisians still hold Fort Montrouge. Fort Vanvres is unoccupied. Dissensions continue among the committees of

The City to Have Been Carried Last Night-Versaillists Pushing Their Parallels-A Protest-More Newspapers Suppressed.

LONDON, May 17, 1871.
The London Standard's special despatch says the Versaulists will probably carry the city to-night, and that the Communists are leaving in dismay. THE VERSALLISTS PUSHING THEIR PARALLELS.

The Versaillist parallels have been advanced until tney are now only one hundred metres from the ramparts of Paris. The troops in the trenches are eatly disturbed by the fire of the insurgents, and as many as thirty of them were killed in the night.

The London Daily News' special despatch from Paris says an important minority of the Commune has protested against the continued existence of the Committee of Safety.

MORE NEWSPAPERS SUPPRESSED. A despatch from Paris says the Siècle, National,

evenir-National, Journal de Paris, Corsaire and Discussion have been suppressed. Several persons were injured by the fall of the

Column Vendôme. Later-Insurgents Cut Off-Petit Vanvres and

Montrogue Evacuated-Scaling Ladders for the Versnilles Troops.

LONDON, May 17, 1871. Later despatches from Paris state that the federalists occupying the village of Malakoff have been

cut off from communication with their main force and are in flanger of capture. The insurgent troops have retired from Petit Vanvres and Montrouge to the city.

SCALING LADDERS.

Ladders to be used in scaling the ramparts of Paris have reached the outposts of the government troops in the Bois de Boulogne.

VERSAILLES REPORTS.

TELEGRAMS TO THE NEW YORK HERALD. Terrific Explosion in Paris-Louis Blanc Coming to America.

VERSAILLES, May 17, 1871. A terrific explosion occurred this evening in the Sastern portion of Paris, in the direction of the Avenue du Trocacero. Its effects were plainly noted here, and it is believed that a powder magazine near the inner fortification was reached by a shell

from the Versaillists' batteries at Neully. LOUIS BLANC TO VISIT US. M. Louis Biane will go to America after the termination of the sessions of the Assembly.

Reported Capture of Fort Montrouge-The Assembly and the Republic.

LONDON, May 17, 1871.

The London Standard's special despatch from Versailles gives a report that Fort Montrouge has een taken.

The same correspondent says the republican dejegates will present to the Assembly a motion for the appointment of M. Thiers to the Presidency of the republic for two years, and adds that a disturbance is expected.

KNICKERBOCKER ASSURANCE.

The committee of policy holders of the Knicker-becker insurance Company appointed to receive complaints of parties holding policies, was held last vening in Hubner's Hotel, 27 Bowery, Mr. Klein presiding. Several complaints were handed in and noted down. In one case, that of Mr. Charles Faust, who held a policy of \$5,000, and had paid three yearly premiums, which would, by a rule of the company, entitle him to a three-tenths paid up policy, the company declared the policy forfoited, as the last yearly premium had not been paid in at the proper time. It was the custom of the company to send round agents to collect the premiums, but this year it is alleged, they did not, and when the policy holders called at the office to pay them, thay were informed that the policies were forfeited. It is also charged that the company did not allow the voitcy holders the fair dividend.

ENGLAND.

The Liquor Controversy Revived in the House of Commons-Disaster in the English Channel.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

LONDON, May 17, 1871. In the House of Commons this evening the bill ermitting but putting certain restrictions upon the sele of liquors was discussed at length. Petitions both for and against the measure were presented, and arguments made on both sides of the question. The opponents of the bill proved the stronger

party, and it was lost by 82 majority. THE WEATHER IN ENGLAND. The weather is very cold, and snow fell this morning in Scotland and the north of England. It is thought the crops have sustained injury.

COLLISION AT SEA AND LOSS OF LIFE. A French fishing vessel has been run down and sunk in the English Channel by an American bark, whose name is not reported. Twelve of the crew of the fisherman were lost.

SPAIN.

The Budget in the Chamber of Deputies.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

MADRID, May 17, 1871. The financial condition of Spain has greatly improved since the advent of Senor Moret, the present inister of Finance, who has introduced several financial reforms which will result in a considerable saving to the government. Government funds have risen in value, and Spanish credit, which had until lately been a byeword to the capitalists of Europe, is now held in better estimation.

Seffor Moret has presented the annual budget to the Cortes. The exhibit is very favorable and was well received.

ITALY.

Compensation to Florence for the Transfer of the Capital to Rome.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

FLORENCE, May 16, 1871. The Italian Chamber of Deputies has adopted a bill making provision for compensation to the city of Florence for the transfer of the capital to Rome. The definite date of the transfer has not yet been decided upon. It is greatly delayed on account of the want of government accommodation in Rome. number of buildings are now being erected in that city for the use of the several departments and the King's household, but the work is progressing very slowly, owing to a want of energy in the ar rangements and to the short-sighted parsimony of the Italian government.

TURKEY.

The Papal Legate's Mission to the Sultan a Failure.

TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK HERALD.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 16, 1871. The Papal Nuncio, Mgr. Franchi, who was warmly eccived by the Catholics of this city, has already had several interviews with the Grand Vizier All Pasha. He has vainly endeavored to bring about an agreement between the dissenting Armenian Catholics. But the principal object of his mission was to conclude a concordat with Turkey, similar to that existing between France and the Holy See.

It is now officially announced that the Turkish government is unwilling to conclude any couvention with Rome.

VENEZUELA.

Rumors of a New Revolution-Nobedy Frightened-A Filibustering Expedition Attacked and Beaten.

LAGUAYRA, April 24, 1871. There are rumors of a new revolution, but very tion left Curacoa anu has landed at Coro. They were attacked by the government forces and most of them captured and the balance dispersed.

PENNSYLVANIA REPUBLICAN STATE CON-VENTION.

Nominations for State Officers-President Grant's Administration Endorsed-Governor Geary on the Situation-Not a Candidate for Re-election Unless Dragged Out.

The Republican State Convention nominated Colonel David Stanton, of Beaver, for Auditor General, and Robert B. Beach, of Schuylkill, for Surveyor General, both on the first ballot. The following resolution was adopted:-

Resolved, That the administration of President Grant meets the full approval of the republican party of Pennsylvania. His financial policy, by which the national debt is steadily reduced; the reduction in expenditures of the government, honest collection of the revenue, his fidelity to the principles of human rights, through which the liberty of all is to be secured in avery part of the land; his loyalty to the people, in having no policy to enforce against their will, and the spotiess integrity of his administration, merit the continued considence of the American people, and point to him as an honored leader of our party now and a proper standard-bearer of the republican party in 1872.

A committee from the Philadelphia delegation of the Convention called on Governor Geary last even-

the Convention called on Governor Geary last even-ing and desired him to give his views on the situa-

ing and desired him to give his views on the situation. He complied in a short speech, in the course of which he alluded to the Presidency. He evidently wants to be dragged out again, as witness the folfollowing extract. He said:—

I am not a candidate for any office, either State or national, and will not accept any office. True, I am ambitions, but my ambition is to retire to the shades of private life. I will not be dragged out to fill any office in the future. I will try to do my duty in the private waiks of life, but do not want an office, and will not accept any, unless my fellow citizens drag me out, which, if they do, I will try to do whatever lies in my power in the future, as I have in the past. I ask no further honors at the hands of my fellow citizens, but if I should be called on to fill my present office for the third term. I will do it to the best of my ability.

TEE MISSISSIPPI KU KLUX.

The Tables Turned-Attempt to Ku Klux a Radical Editor in Mississippi-The Maskers Resisted and One of the Party Shot.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 17, 1871.

Last Friday night a masked party, numbering about forty, entered the town of Pontotoc, Miss. for the nurpose of driving off Colonel Flournoy, for the nurpose of driving off Colonel Flournoy, editor of a radice. Paper. With had been warned to leave. On entering the town they were met by a party of citizens, who asked them their intentions, and were answered by a volley, which the citizens returned. One of the maskers fell from his horse and the others field. On picking up the wounded man he was found to be a young man named Dilliard, residing near there. He persistently refused to declare the names of the others, and soon after died. The next morning a number of persons were found to have left the county, while several horses, with trappings, which had evidently belonged to the masked party, were found near Pontstoc.

KU KLUX NORTH AND SOUTH.

NEW YORK, May 9, 1871.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD;-Knowing full well that you are always desirous of pleasing those who patronize your valuable paper 1 take the liberty of expressing the following idea:— As there has been so much talk about the so-called "Ku Klux" outrages at the South, do you not think it would be a very good plan to make and publish a list of all the murders and house burnings north of the Mason and Dixon line for the last six months, and or all the murders and house burnings south of the Mason and Dixon line for the same period of time? And by that means I think you will find that there is more "Ku Kluxing" North, according to the number of population, than at the South. By so doing you will greatly oblige FACTS. As there has been so much talk about the so-called

BASE BALL.

BOSTON, May 17, 1871. The Haymakers and Harvards' game of base ball o-day was one of the most remarkable ever played here. The Haymakers were outfielded, outbatted and outgeneralled. The Harvards won the game easily by the following score:— YACHTING.

The New York Yacht Club Invited to Particl-

pate in the Cape May Ruces—Mr. Osgood's New Yacht.
PHILADELPHIA, May 17, 1871. An invitation, signed by General Meade, Secretary Robeson, Jay Cooke, A. J. Drexet, General Patter-son, Commodore Goldsborough, General Stockton, Cobnel John G. Stevens, John C. Bullett, General W. J. Sewed, Joseph F. Tobias and Charles Duffy, has been sent to James Gordon Bennett, Jr., Commodore of the New York Yacht Club, inviting the club to participate in the races at Cape May on July 4.

Mr. Frank Osgood's new yacht, recently completed at Chester, is being fitted out at Camden, N. J.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

Sailing of the Panama Steamer-A Valuable Cargo-Opposition to Webb's Australian Steamship Line.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17, 1871. The Montana, for Panama, carried \$138,000 in treasure and a cargo of lead, wool, hides, whale oll, glue and California wine valued at \$166,000.

The British iron steamer City of Melbourne is advertised to sail hence, June 10, for Honolulu, Fiji, Anckland, Sydney and Melbourne, as pioneer of the new English line opposition to Webb's American line.

Captain Francis Langlois, of the bark Henry Adderly, from Honolulu, died suddenly on shipboard in the baroor last night. He came out from London a few weeks ago, and leaves a family in the island of Jersey.

NEW .YORK CITY.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature for the past twenty-four hours in comson with the corresponding day of last year, as

The following special notice was issued yesterday by the Merchants' Exchange Association:—"By unanimous consent of the members the hour of 'change will in future be from one to two P. M. At two o'clock precisely the going will be sounded and kept ringing till the floor is cleared."

At pler No. 59 East river vesterday the body of an unknown man, about thirty-five years of age, was found and sent to the Morgne to await an investigation before Coroner Young. Dec ased was five feet eight inches in height and dressed in checkered pants, white shirt and woollen socks, but no coat or boots.

In the report of the proceedings of the Special Sessions yesterday by an inadvertence it was stated that Mr. Patrick Reilly was charged with stealing twenty-five dollars from James Ennis. It should have read that Ennis was charged with the theft from Relliy, who keeps a liquor saloon at 603 Grand street. Ennis is a private soldier from Wil-let's Point and not an officer from West Point.

The body of an unknown man, forty-two years of age, apparently a German, five feet two inches in height, with black hair and whiskers mixed with gray, and black eyes, was yesterday found floating in the water between piers 51 and 52 East river and sent to the Morgue. Deceased was without coat and stockings, but wore black pants, plaid shirt and gaiter shoes. The body was sent to the Morgue and Coroner Schirmer notified.

The miniature ship City of Ragasa will leave from the Battery on Monday for Liverpool. Two men and a dog will assist Captain Primrose in tempting Providence. The roar of the sea and the howl of the defluded canine will be the limitary of the intrepled mariners. It is expected by the captain and hoped by the dog that the voyage will be completed in forty days. The crew-are melancholy and shiver their timbers with difficulty, but the ignorant and excitable pup bays the moon deflantly. His bark is on the sea.

The following congratulatory address of Mayor Hall to the Metropolitan Police force was yesterday transmitted by Superintendent Kelso to the captains of the various precincts, with instructions that it be read to the members of each command:-"The Mayor desires to congratulate the representatives of the police force in the recent parade for the pleasant the police force in the recent parade for the pleasant impression they produced on his constituency, whose life, liberty and property it is the proud duty of the force to protect, and to hope that while on unobserved, they may continue to exhibit the same chivalric bearing, courteous behavior and pride in discharge of duty which characterized the members of the force throughout the parade and review,

FISH OR FIGHT.

A Scaly Squabble to Little Peconic Bay. The fishermen employed in the inland waters of East Long Island have for the past few days been laboring under much excitement. The question at sts versus purse nets. The manufacturing of oil and guano from mossbunkers, menhaden, or white fish, is an interest the magnitude of which is little understood away from the immediate neighborhood. In the recent act passed by the Legislature for the protection of game and fish the use of purse nets in any of the waters of the island excepting Gardner's and Little Peconic Bay is prohibited. The question rests with the dividing line between Little and Great Peconic Bay. A part of the fishermen declare that the intention of the framers of the law was to embrace a part of what is sometimes called Great Peconic Bay. One day last week some of the fishermen took the law into their own hands, and attempted to drive out the purse-net fisherman. Captains Moses Downs and John Brown, it seems, fastened their yacht on to the yacht George B. Reeve, of Mattutuck, and actually towed him and his purse-nets out of the bay. It is alleged that rotten eggs and stale fish were the projectiles used by the warlike vessels. The matter is about to be brought into court, and, as a matter of course, both parties claim to be the injured ones. the immediate neighborhood. In the recent act

ROLBERY OF ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY.

Adams Express Company was robbed of \$40,000 or \$50,000 here this morning. The company has an old room in a rickety depot in this city, and the money stolen was taken from there. Two young men occupy the room. When the midnight trains went out they looked after their duties as usual When the train arrived about two o'clock no one came out to look after the interests of Adams Express Company, and the express messenger went to the company's room to see what was the matief, and found the door open, but could arouse neither of the men by calling, and finally went to them and shook them. They were finally awakened, when the robbery was discovered. The safe had been opened with a key, which had been left in the lock. It is supposed the men had been drugged and the key taken from the pooket of one of them. The outer door of the room was very insecurely fastened, and could be easily opened. The exact amount of the property taken cannot now be told, but it will run over \$40,000. When the train arrived about two o'clock no one

THE DREW SEM MARY.

Dedication of a Beautiful Chapel at Madison,

N. J., Yesterday.

The new and very handsome little chapel just built on the grounds of the Drew Theological Seminary at Madison, N. J., was dedicated yesterday with appropriate services by Bishop Janes, of the Methodist Ediscopal Church, assisted by a large number of clergy, numbering about sixty, and in presence of an immense gathering of the leading latty of the State and New York city. Bishop Janes preached the sermon. Bishop Simpson not being able to attend in consequence of severe liness. The pastor's report was read, showing that there was a floating debt on the chapel of about \$6,000. This amount was promptly subscribed for on the spout, Daniel Drew giving \$1,700 and Mr. Cornell \$500. There was great rejoicing and enthusiasm. The chapel is built of brick in the Romanesque style, and will seat about six hundred persons. In its way it is a perfect model of ecclesiastical architecture. nary at Madison, N. J., was dedicated yesterday

CHICAGO, May 17, 1871. A tornado passed over Bridgeport, in the south-west part of this city, last evening, and a number of buildings were blown down, including a Catholic church. Mrs. Mary Moore was killed by a falling beam, and several persons were more or less in

A fornado yesterday at Monigomery, ill., three miles from Aurora, destroyed P. & R. Richardson's immber warehouse and one or two other buildings. The dead bodies of two unknown boys were found on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad track, near this city, last evening. It is supposed that they sought shelter from the storm under some freight cars standing on a side track and the cars, forced into motion by the wind, ran over and killed them.

AMUSE MENTS.

ITALIAN OPERA-"FAUST."-Gound's opera was repeated last night, with a very important change for the better in one of the leading roles. Sustin took the part of Mephistopheles and made a very creditable show with it. When sustin is in good voice, a very rare occurrence with him, there are few casses on the stage can compete with him. Last night he was himself and acted and sang commendably. Miss Kellogg's Marguerite never shone forth with such lustre, and this real, reliable, true American artists on the Academy. She is the most conscientions artists that has sing in this building for many a year and it will be distinct. She is the most conscientions artists that has sing in this building for many a year and it will be distinct. On any European importation to match her. Villand did better than before, almough his voice is that of any European importation to match her. Villand did better than before, almough his voice is that of a worn-out tenor. His voice never can again have spontaneity or brillian y, but the artist phrases and conceives the scene and situation such as gives entire saltsfaction to the audience. Regarding the contraito, Mine. Himela, we can only repeat our first opinion—she is not calculate to make any impression as Stebel. The orchestra, as far as we know, is identically the same as has officiated in the malered can be brought to some degree of excellence. But Signer Nicolan, unfortunately, does not possess the first quality of a conductor, and to him alone can we attribute the failure throughout the season of this important branch of the opera. The "Stellan Vespers" will be given on Frieday.

THE BOWERY.—At the Old Bowery theatre last evening the drama of the "Gold Belt" was played. voice, a very rare occurrence with him, there are

vening the drama of the "Gold fielt" was played before a large audience. The piece abounds in sensational scenes, all of which were of course most greedily seized on by the hundreds present and ap-planded in true howery style. At an early stage of he performance there were two attempts at the performance there were two attempts at murder, in connection with which was a robbery, the discovery of the function greatived for the "sunshine" in the last act. Cases of attempt at poisoning and drowoing also occurred, but the grandpoint of inferest was a mathouse, in which several of the characters were at one time or other confined. The final labiean was the burning of the mathouse, a sectic well got up. It is needless to say that this array of exciting incidents afforded no ordinary pleasure to the authories. Mr. W. H. Whalley played the leading part, supported by Mrz. W. G. Jones and the company.

THEATRE COMIQUE.—There was at this theatre last evening a bill of great variety, including so many

evening a bill of great variety, including so many different kinds of entertainment that no one could leave the house without having enjoyed one or other of the good things. Ashford and Morton, Wamboud of the good things. Ashford and Morton, Wambold and George H. Coes in their songs and dances were, as usual, excellent. The speech of liugiest Dougherty on the Coburn and Mace night by some extraordinary method of trealment peculiar to the "orator," was, for the most part, an eloquent dissertation on love. "The Turce O'clock Train" adorded the same comedian an opportunity to get off an excellent plece of Ethiopian acting, Geraldine performed the "mid-air figures" on the traites with her usual skill. The entertainment concluded with "Offenbach, the Dutch Actor," a farce that means to point a moral.

THE MENCELSSORN UNION CHORAL SOCIETY held officers and the transaction of general business, at De Garmo's Rooms, Fifth avenue and Fourteenth street, on Monday evening, when the following gentlemen were elected to serve for the ensuing year: --Wm. A. T. L. Harris secretory; C. C. Neibuhr, financial se-T. L. Harris secretory; C. C. Neibuar, financial secretary; J. L. Davies, treasurer; D. R. Andrews, fibrarian; G. F. Eristow, conductor; S. P. Warren, organist. The secretary's report showed the organization to be in a flourishing condition, the roll showing a list of 311 active members. At the conclusion of the meeting D. H. Morris presented, on behalf of the male members, a handsome cold watch and chain to T. L. Harris, who has served as secretary for the past five years, and been connected with the society for thirteen, while the ladies showed their approachation of the gentleman by presenting a like testimonial to Mrs. Harris.

Globe Turayras, Brooklyn.—A fair sized and in

GLOBE THEATRE, BROOKLYN.-A fair wized audience assembled at this place of amusement Monday evening. The entertainment was, as usual, varied, and the programme, judging from the appliance with which it was greeted, acceptable to the family circle habitues. Notwithstanding the notice of the management that more than two encores are disal-lowed the rule was best observed on Monday in the breach thereof. The comic doings of R. W. Santh and the Dutch comedian, Charles Gardiner, were very good. The charming miantile musical prodigs, Master Speaight, gave several airs on the violin, which were the real features of the performance. The exhibition concluded with the languable bur-lesque, "Vo-lau-Vent," and the audience dispersed apparently satisfied with their evening's amuse-ment. management that more than two encores are disal-

MUSICAL AND THEATR CAL NOTES.

Fechter will play an engagement at Niblo's Garien early in the fall. Betty Rigi sails for Europe, a ccompanied of her

mother and her sister Emily, on May 27. Sidney Franks and Emma Alford open at Deagle's Varieties, St. Louis, on May 23, for three weeks. Laura Keene plays "Hunted Down" at the Park

theatre, Brooklyn, for one week, commencing May Mr. Julien, son of the colebrate I leader, announces a concert season at Terrace Garden, to commence in

a concert season at Terrace Garden, to commence in another week.

Little Eldridge, the clever young actress, stars next season in a new and beautiful emotional play, called "Alma." Ben Lowell, of the firm of Lowell & Simmonds,

for William Henderson The "Three Hunchbacks" pantomine remains at the Trimble Opera House, Albany, N. Y., until the 17th, when the English Opera Troupe open for four nights.

Lucien Barnes, manager of the Trimble Opera House, Albany, and V. E. Beamer, manager of the Opera House, Pittsburg, were in this city on the 5th and 9th insts.

and 9th insts.

Little Neil, the California Diamond, opens June 19 at the Lyceum theatre, Toronto, for one week, and the Theatre Royal, Montreal, June 26, under Ben De Bar's management.

Miss Alice Brooks, a singing chambermaid actress, who played at Lina Edwin's theatre in this city a short time since, has gone to the new Opera House, Rochester, N. Y., for the summer season, commencing on the 15th inst.

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It is clear enough that soon no English actor will think his career complete until he makes a tour of the globe. Time was when our great men oscillated between Covent Garden and Drury Lane; but now a trip to New York is a matter of course; engagements in Australia and California are repeatedly offered, and our latest intelligence is of Mr. Charles Mathews acting at Honolulu "before his Majesty the King!" Was (says a contemporary) the shade of the murdered Capiain Cook appeased by this triumph of civilization? Fancy "Cool as a Cucumber" and "Patter vs. Clatter" replacing the war paint of the savage and the assassin's club. The "natives" have even adopted some of the royal privileges customary here: the bill of the play for the sovereign is elegantly printed in letters of gold on bine satin. After this we may expect anything—ballets, excursion trains, Haymarket cafes and Eass' bottled ale. —London Times.

WEATHER REPORT.

WAR DEPARTMENT. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, WASHINGTON, May 18-1 A. M.

Synops's for the Past Twenty-four Hours. On the Pacific coast the barometer has fallen son what and high winds have prevailed. The barome ter has risen on the lakes and in the Ohio valley and eastward to the Atlantic, a slight fall in the temperature. The cloddy and threatening weather in the Middle and Eastern States have moved castward, and is generally broken up. Partially cloudy weather has very generally prevailed during the day east of the M sissippi, with light and fresh winds. Light rains passed over Maryland and Pennsylvania Wednesday

morning followed by clearing up weather.

Probabilities. It is probable that the weather will remain with out material change, excepting diminished cloudiness on the Atlantic and Gulf coast. Fresh north-

easterly winds will probably prevail on the Lakes. TELECKAPHIC NEWS ITEMS.

The foundry and machine shop of G. Choliner, at Olic Ill., were burned on Monday last. Loss \$20,000. A fire in Honesdale, Pa., on Tuesday night destroyed four

instantly killed.

Joseph Baker, a cigar maker, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., was killed near that city on Tuesday night, in jumping from a moving train on the Hudson River Railrond.

Mrs. Williams, of St. Louis, was burned to death on Tuesday, by her ciothes taking fire from burning naphths. Mrs. Maggie Thompson, of the same city, met the same fate from the bursting of a kerosene lamp.

WAYAL DADERS.

Naval Constructor Edward Hartt has been ordered to the Pensacola Navy Yard, and Chaptain W. R. Cobb to the Naval Academy.

THE CHURCUMEN'S COUNCIL.

Long Island Episcopal Diocese Convention Second Day's Proceedings. The waston of the Long Island Episcopal Dioces ras continued yesterday in the Church of the Holy Trimity, Canton street, brooklyn. The chair was

occupied by lishop Littlejohn. After singing and prayer the following committees were elected:-Studieg Conserve. Corry. Rev. Charles H. Hall, D. D.;
Rev. Stafford Drowne, D. D.; Rev. John A. Paddock, D. D.;
Rev. J. Carpenter Smite, D. D. Latty Mr. Henry E. Plerrepont, Mr. Jasper W. Gibert, Mr. Charles R. Marvin, Mr.
William J. Cogarell.
Mississer y Installed. Clergy Rev. D. V. M. Johnson,
D. D.; Rev. Charles W. Humer, Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock,
D. D.; Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, D. D.; Rev. Cabel B. Killsworth. Laisy. Mr. Joseph W. Greene, Mr. John Halsey, Mr.
Alexander V. Biake, Mr. William Mulligan, Mr. S. D. C. Van
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Bokkein. Blace, Mr. William Mulligan, Mr. S. D. C. Van Bokkein. Brite General Cource time.—Clercy: Rev. Charles H. Bail, D. D.; Rev. Noah Hunt Saheneck, D. D.; Rev. Benjamin H. Paddock, B. D.; Rev. Sanned M. Hastins, D. D. Laity.—Mr. R. Henry E. Pietrepolit, Hon. John W. Hunter, D. D. Hon. William Nicoli, Mr. John A King.

Bendrae to the Federate Council. Chergy—Rev. Robert R. Van Kleeck, D. D.; Rev. Jacob W. Diller, D. D.; Rev. T. Stafford Prowner, D. D.; Rev. Charles H. Hart, D. D.; Rev. William H. Moore, Rev. Thomas M. Haskins, D. D.; Rev. William H. Moore, Rev. Thomas M. Haskins, D. D.; Rev. William H. Luddow, Mr. John A. King, Mr. Leward Todd.

Nr. Jesse, C. Smith, Mr. William H. Luddow, Mr. John A. King, Mr. Leward Todd.

Processors of Departure to the General Convention.—Clergy Aug. Mr. Edward Todd.,
Processing Denders in the General Convention.—Clergy-Rev. John A. Paddock, D. D.; Rev. Josob W. Diler, D. D. Rev. Robert T. Pearson and Rev. Samuel Cor. Lely—M. Henry P. Mygan, Mr. Nathan B. Morse, Mr. Henry Hagner Mr. Charles H. Townsend.

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A number of reports were received from various committees, and miscellaneous business occupied the convention till the recess of one hour for lunch.

A variety of work of a business character was proceeded with after tunch, and the following report of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Fund submitted:—

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Rev. Chracker Hall, of the Committee on General Theological Seminary, reported that it had been determined to remove the institution from New York to Mamaron-ck, where a grant of thirty acres of land had been made, on condition that the Seminary buildings be creeted within five years, in view of this fact a special committee had been arepointed to appeal to the churchmen, and domaitons to the amount of \$500,000 had been subscribed to carry on the work.

Mr. General F. Sexymour, of the Society for the Promotion of Religion and Learning, reported that they had every reason to lest grathed at the progress of the work under tiefr charge.

A resolution was adopted, on motion of Dr. Hall, authorizing the Risnop to appoint a committee of nine to report to the next convention in regard to the question of woran's work in the Church.

A lengths report was read by Rev. Dr. Schenck in regard to the division of the undivided diocese intell of New York. Long Island claimed its portion of that fund, which amounted to \$21,000. There had been to definite action taken in the matter by the New York men.

The convention then adjourned.

ISRAELITES IN COUNCIL.

Assunt Meeting of the Board of Delegates of American Israciltes. The Board of continued their annual meeting yesterday after-noon, at the synagogue in Nineteenth street, near

Fifth avenue. Benjamin J. Rart presided, Mr. beace acting as secretary.

A large meeting of delegates was held on Tuesday evening, iniriy delegations being present, as tee consisting of Messrs, Joachimsen, Solo-mon and L. Cohn. This committee re-ported yesterday and their recommendations were taken up severally and discussed by the Board. The result of the discussions was that reso-intions were passed complimentary to Mr. Simon Wolf, of Washington, for his exertions in behalf of ton to lend friendly assistance to the cause of the Jews in Russia; thanking the Mayor of this city and

Jews in Russia; thanking the Mayor of this city and others for their kindness to Jewish immigrants; appointing a standing committee to take charge of all matiers pertaining to emigration; appropriating \$100 in gold to the Jews' Hospital at Jerusalem; increasing the number of trustees to nine for the purpose of having an act of Incorporation of the Boars procured.

An interesting discussion concerning the Mannonsies tollege in Pennsylvania revealed the fact that there are but three populs in that institution. Several delegates urged that greater interest should be paid to the in truction of visuag Israndities in rabinancial learning, and it was floady resolved to hold a special meeting of the board in October next to consider this authors.

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The following is the financial statement for the
past year:—Receipts of Board proper, 2599; expenses, 5100; Palestine fund balance, 21,700; Hatian
fund balance, \$1,000; Russian emigration fined receipts, 57,000; Expenses of same folion, \$2,000.

The following Are the oblicers of the mostly for the
ensuing year:—President—Ben, J. Hart, of New York,
Vice Presidents—Hon, P. J. Jonchimsen, of New
York, and eximon Wolf, of Washington, Treasurer—
A. S. Saroni, of Boston, Expensive Cosamittes—Alemham Hart, of Philadelphia; G. H. Herman, H. Kohn,
A. W. Frank, T. H. Klesing, H. S. Alson, of Sew
York: Rev. Dr. Gastrow, of Philadelphia; R. G.
Jacobs, of Philadelphia; L. Cohn, of Charteston; H.
M. Herschberg, of Newburg, and R. A. Iwsper, of

New Orleans. Next month the Committee on Publications are that arrangements for the organization of a Jewis National Publication Society.

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VIEWS OF THE PAST

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